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In accordance with MPEP 609 and 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56, 1.97 and 1.98, Applicants bring the attached reference to the Examiner's attention and request that it be considered and made of record in this application. A machine translation of the Japanese language reference provided by the Japanese Patent Office is also attached hereto, as well as a completed PTO-1449 form. Prompt examination on the merits is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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